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Karyomapping and its Discontents

How Karyomapping Will Survive (And Thrive) In the Genomic Era

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“It sounds like a fairy tale...this story of what man by his science and practical inventions has achieved on this earth.”

Sigmund Freud, 1930

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- Championed PGT-A as a standard component of PGT-M
- Provided robust quality in the laboratory for a wide range of molecular pathologies

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“Man has become a god by means of artificial limbs...but they do not grow on him and they still give him trouble at times.”

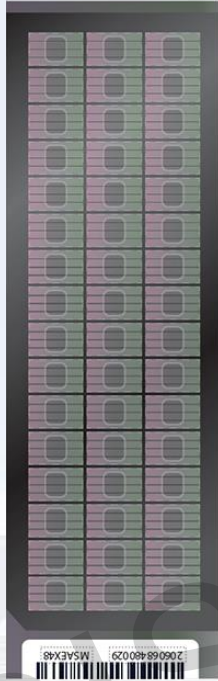
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In the genomic era, does
karyomapping face a crisis of
confidence?

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What happens if you perform karyomapping on a NovaSeq?

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Paternal Grandfather
NA12889



Paternal Grandmother
NA12889



Maternal Grandfather
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Maternal Grandmother
NA12892



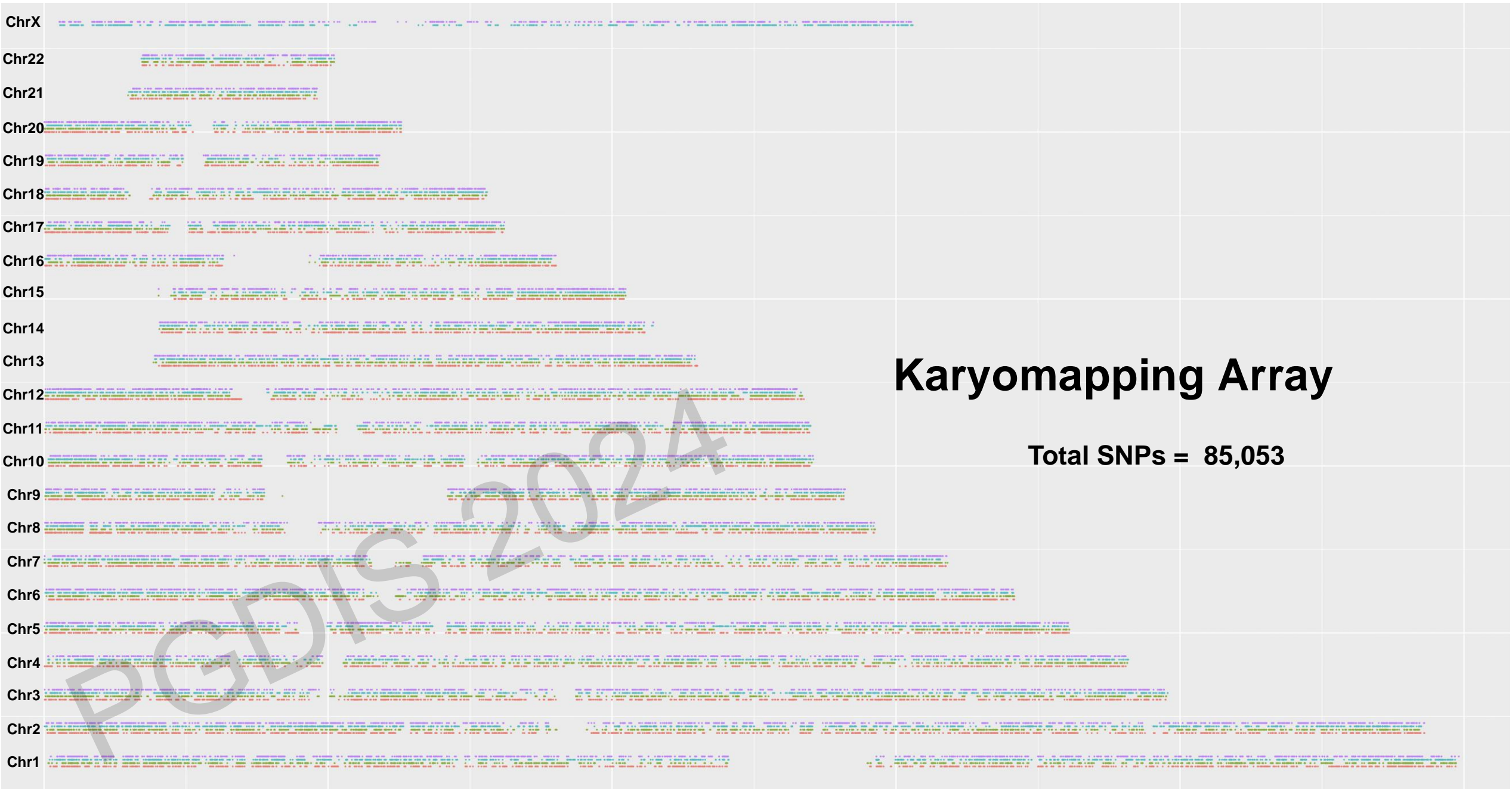
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Mother
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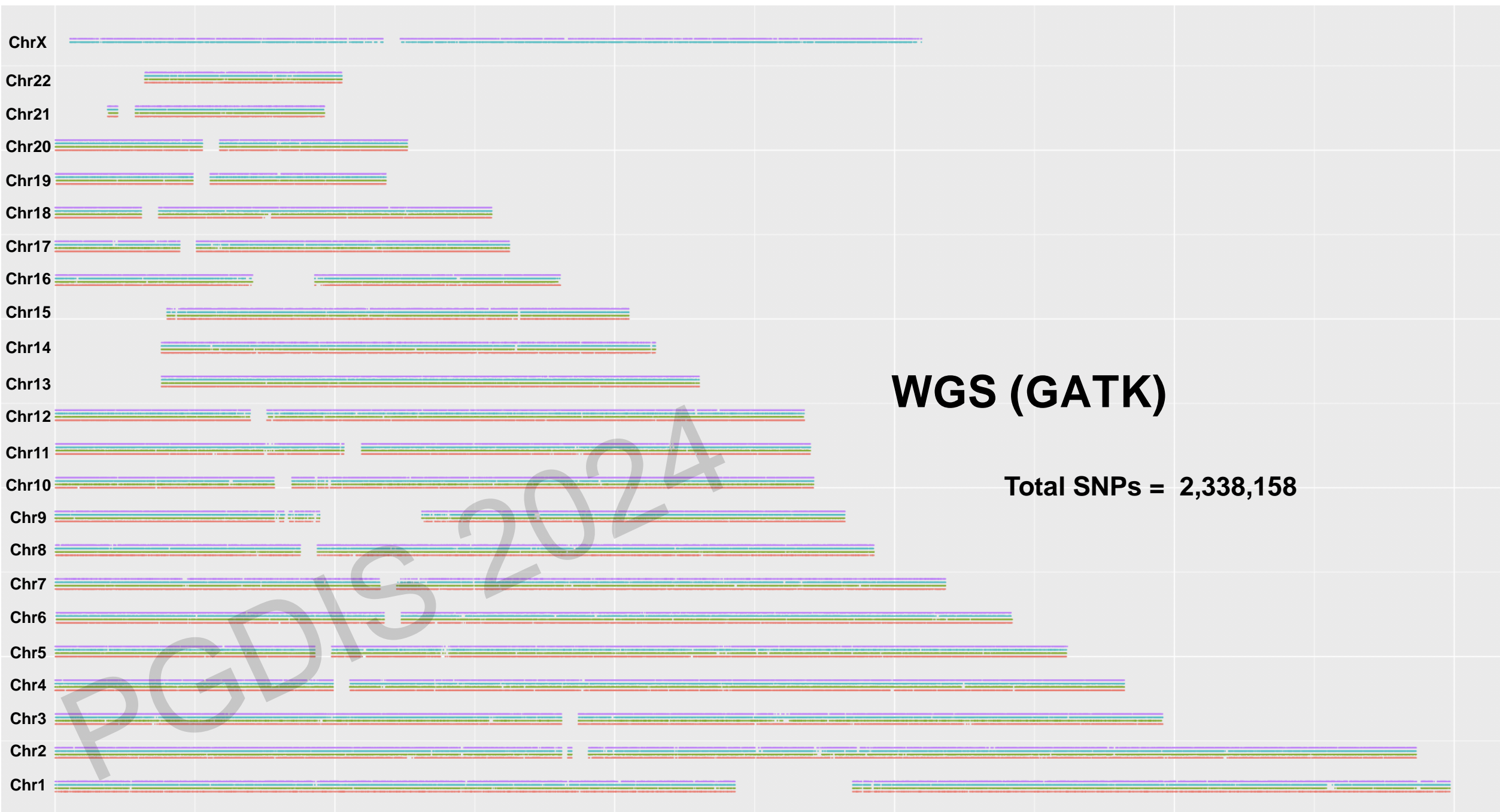


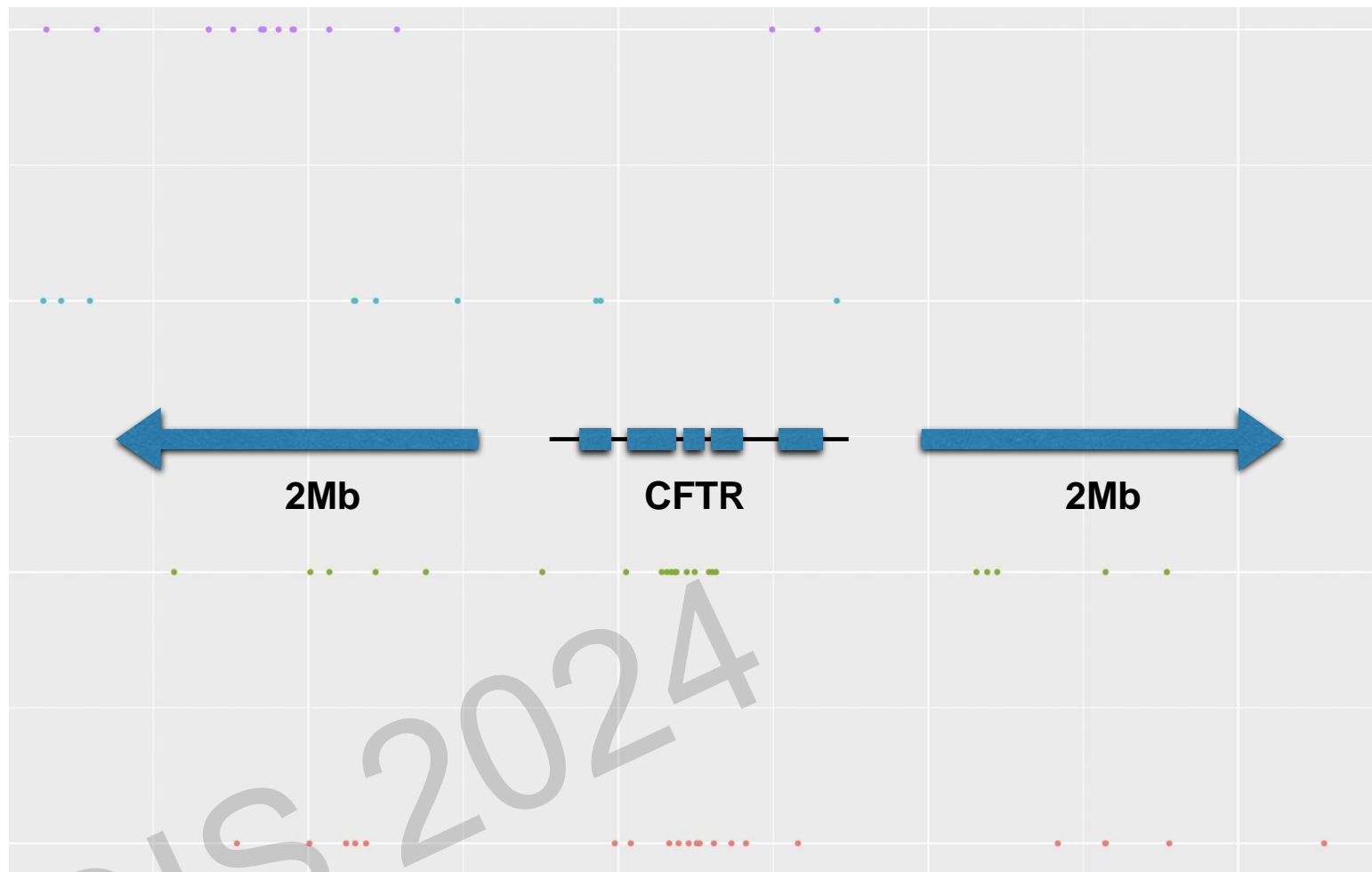
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Karyomapping Array

Total SNPs = 85,053





Maternal GM
14 SNPs

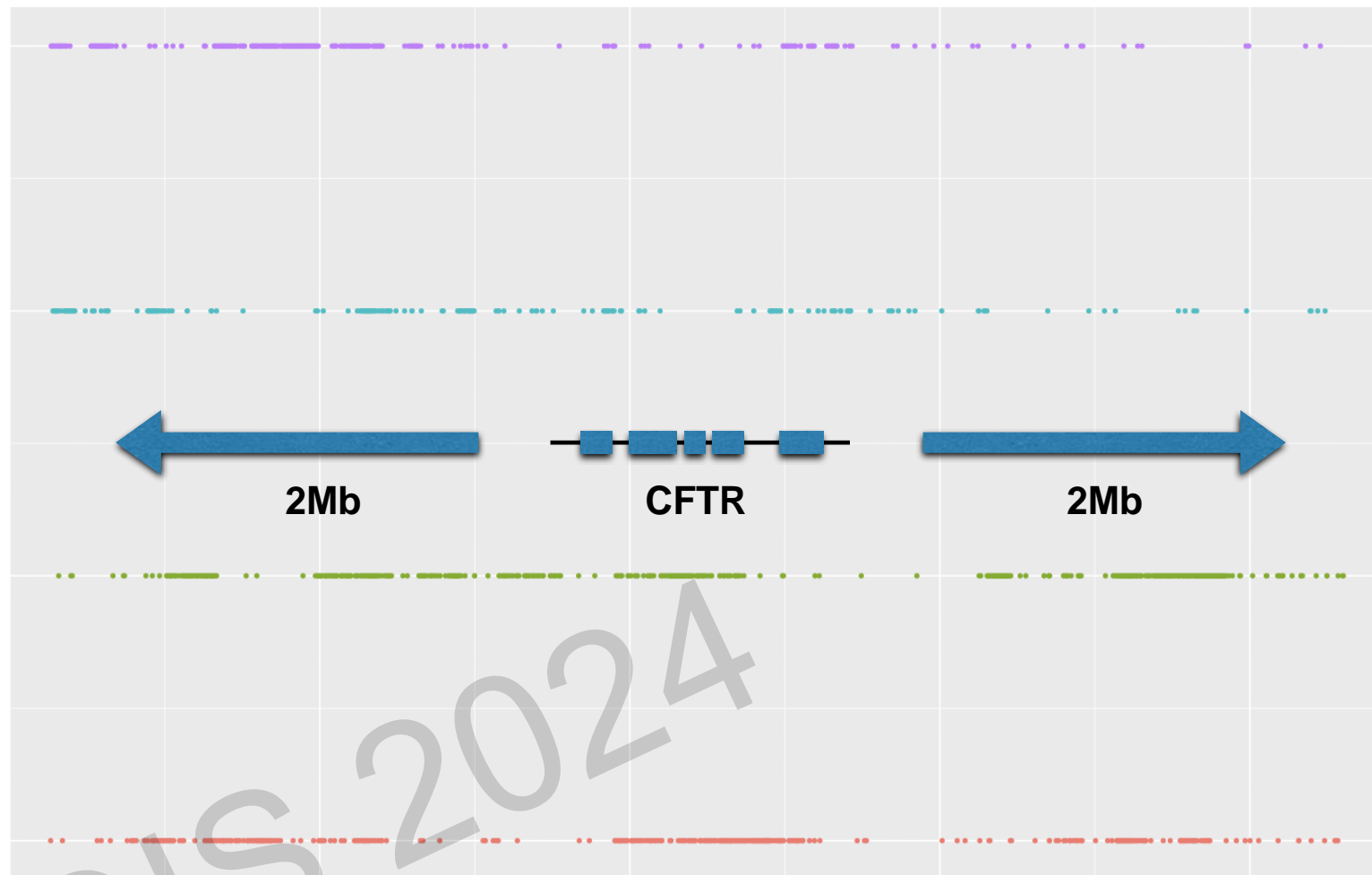
Maternal GF
10 SNPs

Paternal GM
22 SNPs

Paternal GF
22 SNPs

Chromosome 7





Maternal GM
629 SNPs

Maternal GF
294 SNPs

Paternal GM
785 SNPs

Paternal GF
609 SNPs

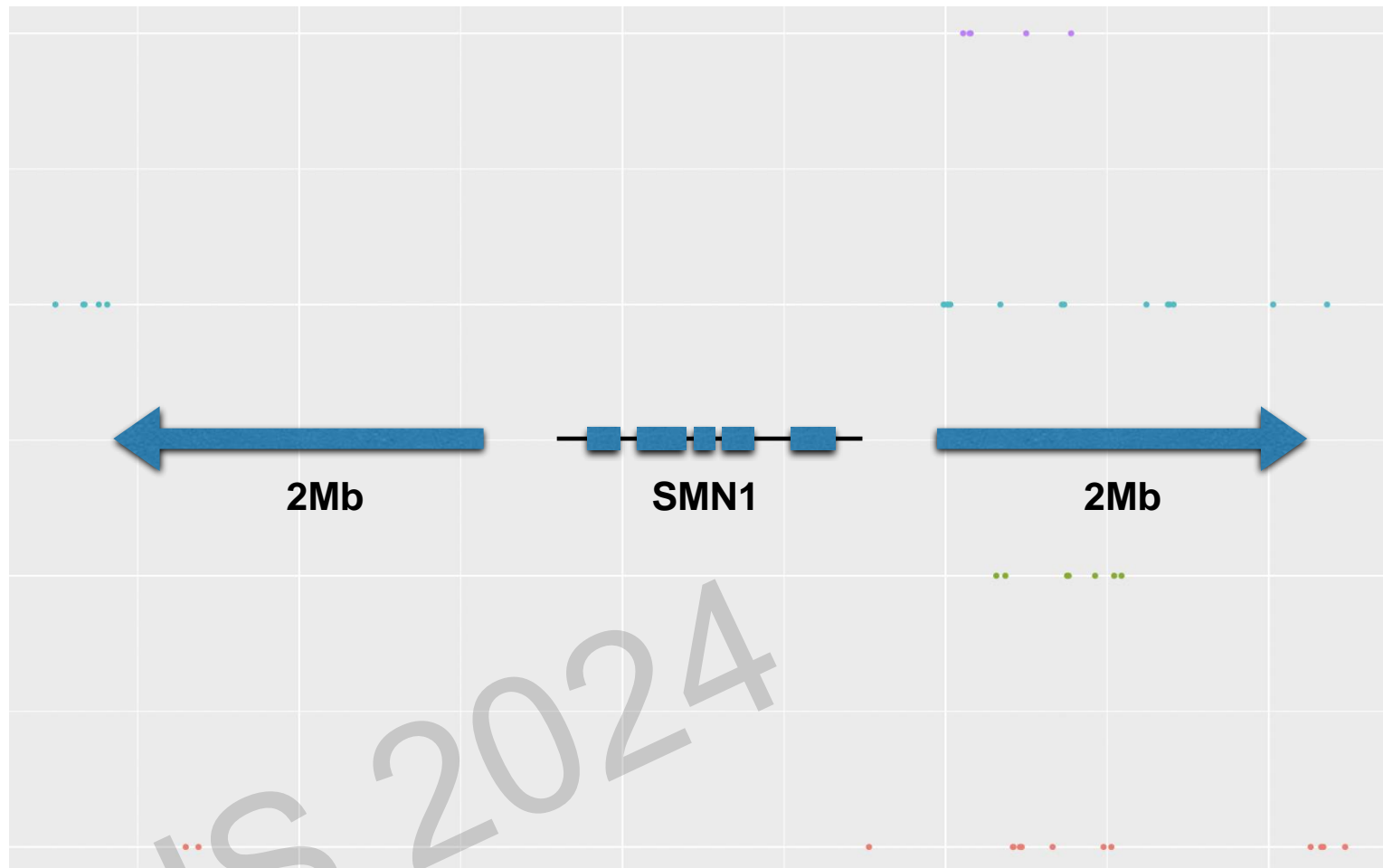
2Mb

CFTR

2Mb

Chromosome 7





Maternal GM
5 SNPs

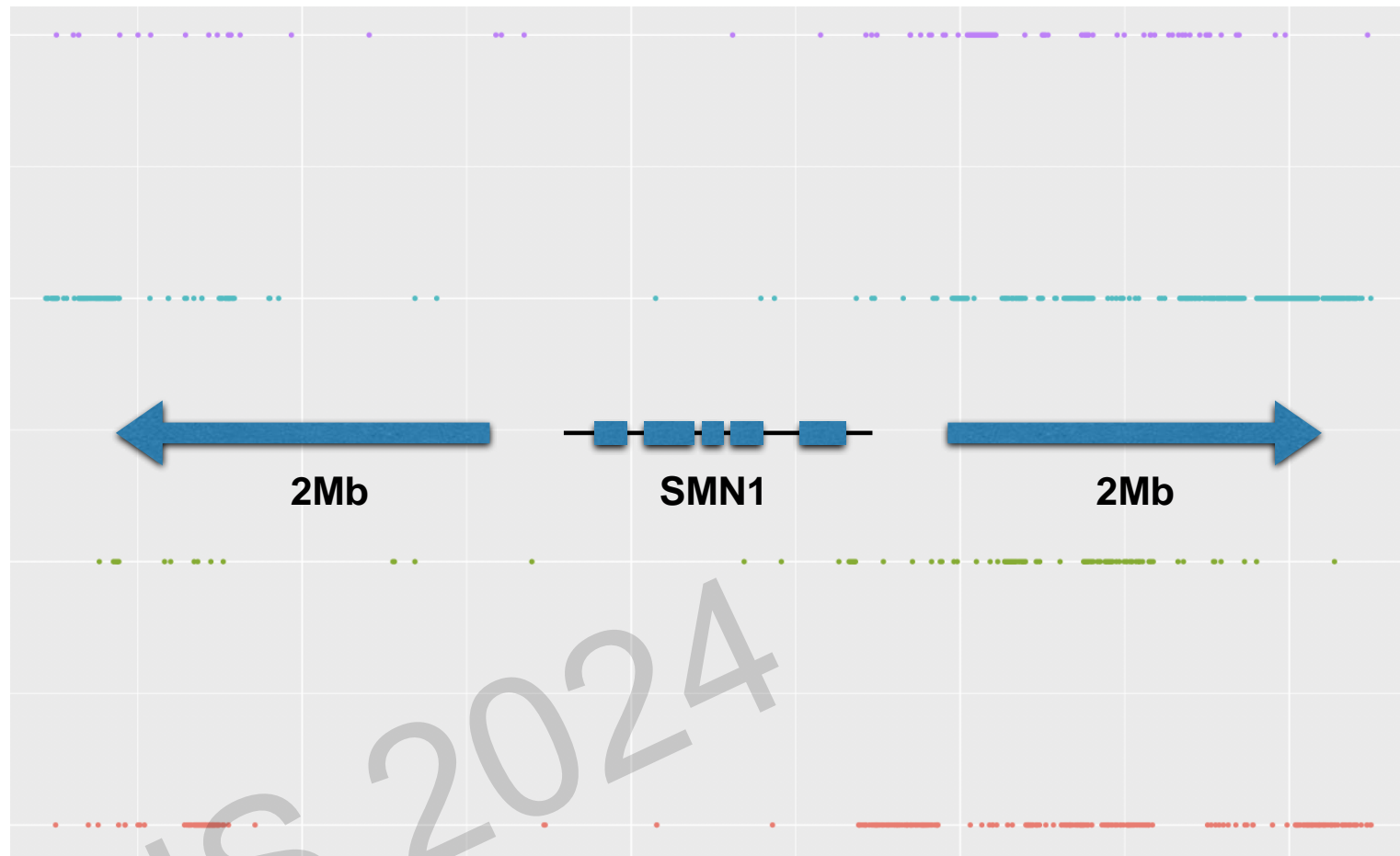
Maternal GF
19 SNPs

Paternal GM
7 SNPs

Paternal GF
14 SNPs

Chromosome 5





Maternal GM
209 SNPs

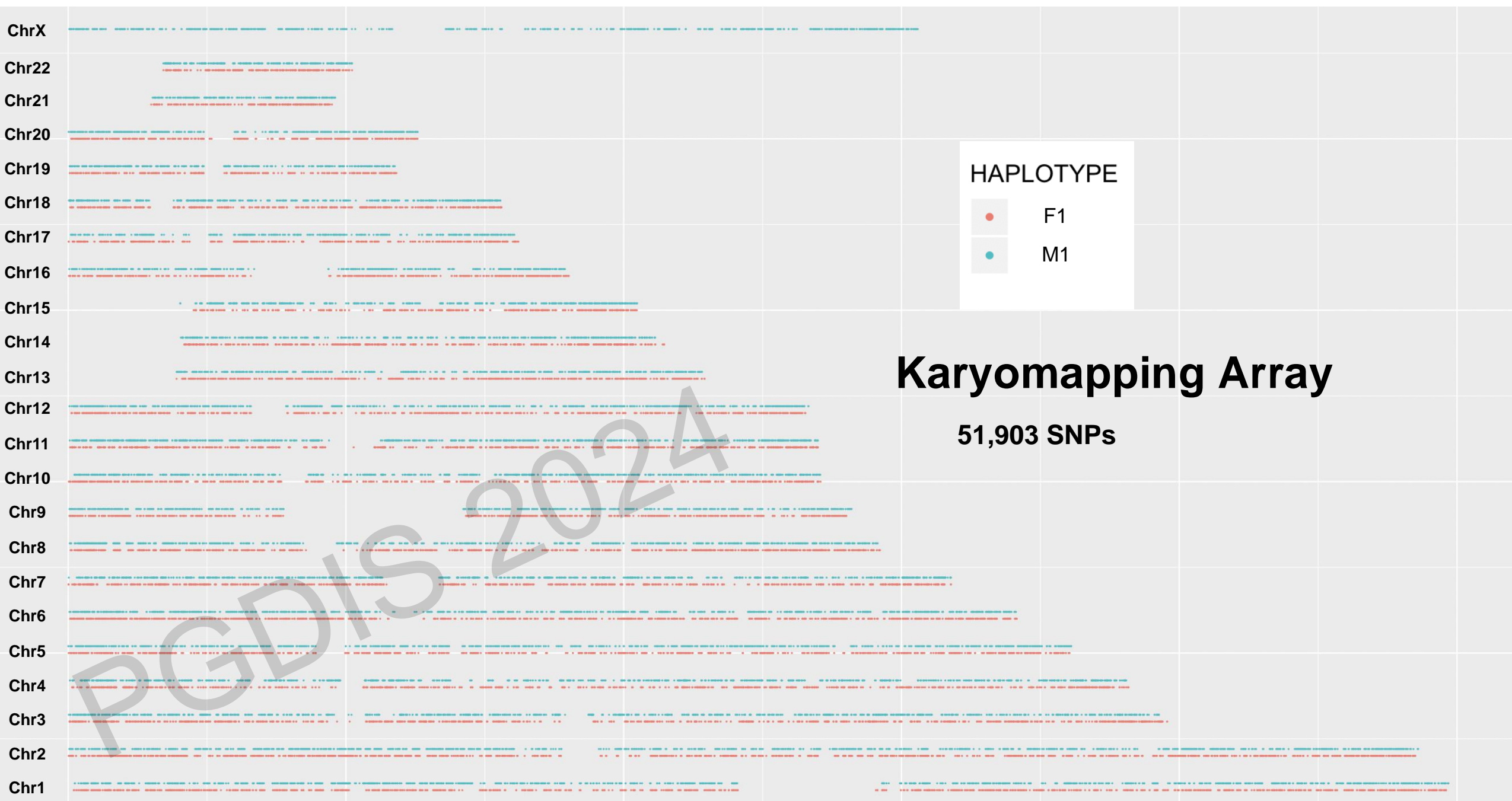
Maternal GF
836 SNPs

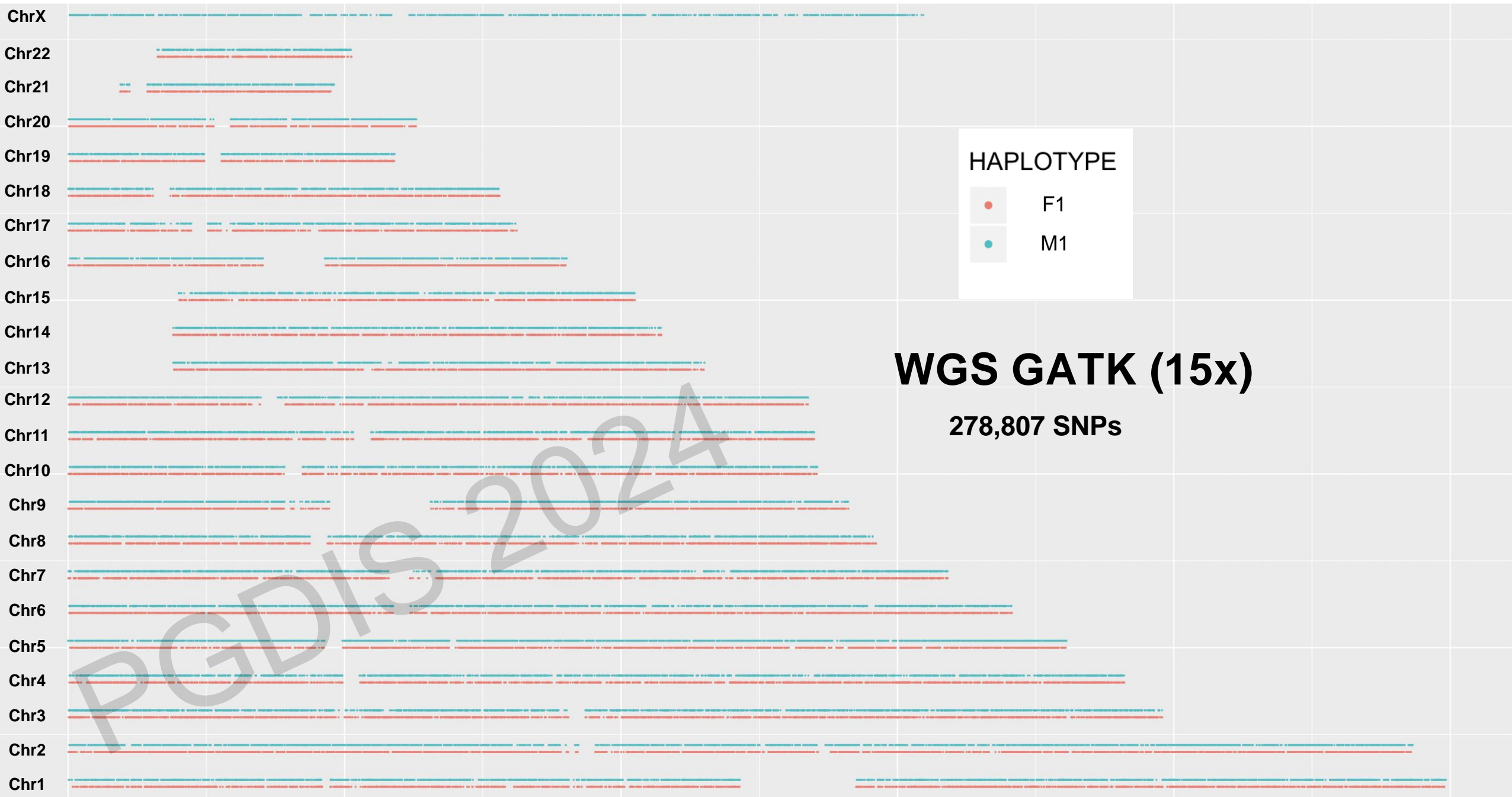
Paternal GM
246 SNPs

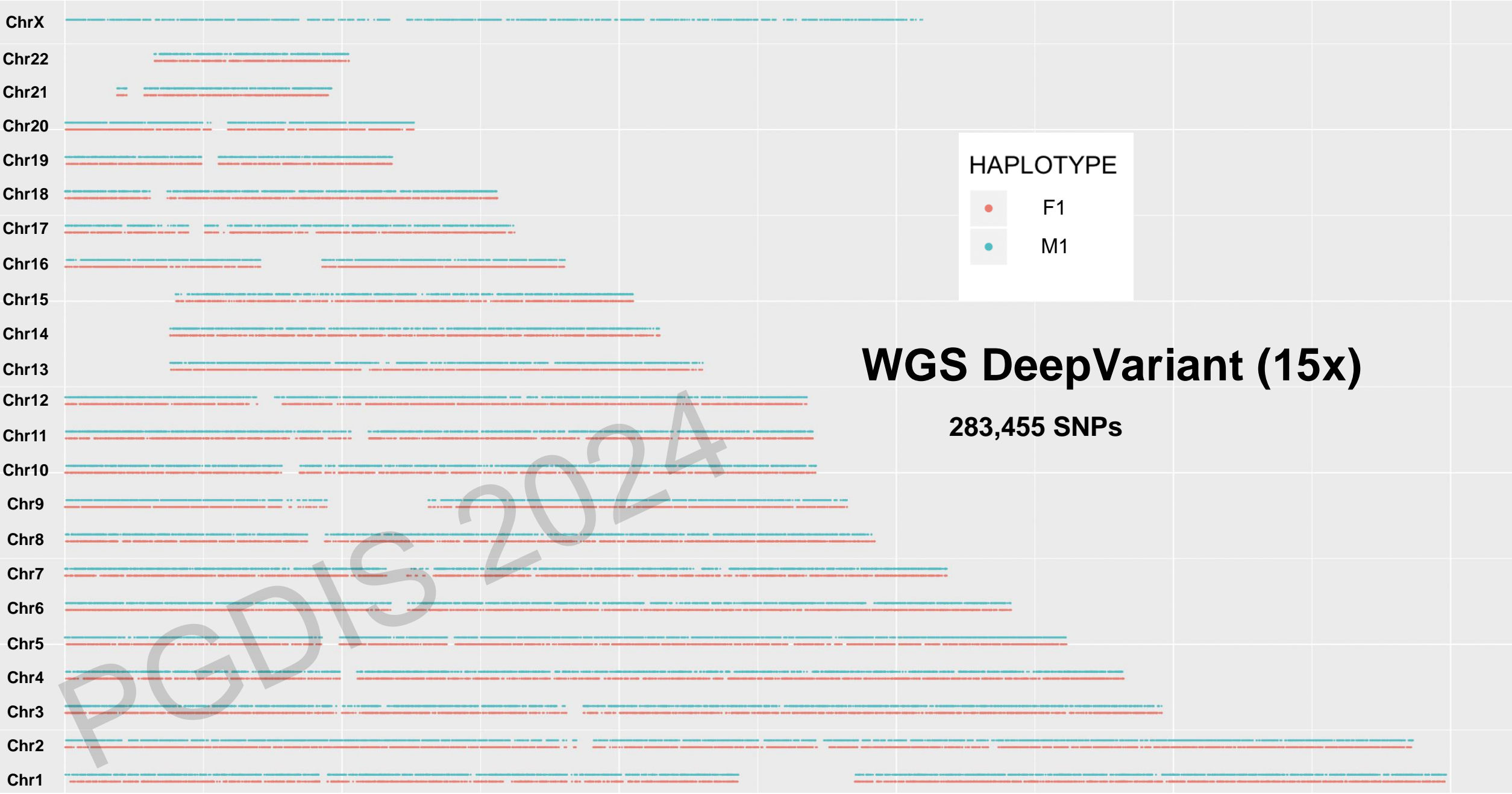
Paternal GF
405 SNPs

Chromosome 5









Karyomapping Array

M1 = 12 SNPs



F1 = 21 SNPs

WGS GATK (15x)

M1 = 114 SNPs

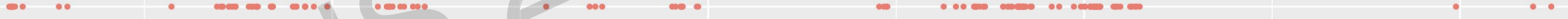


2Mb

CFTR

2Mb

F1 = 225 SNPs



WGS DeepVariant (15x)

M1 = 117 SNPs



F1 = 231 SNPs

	Paternal Informative SNPs	Maternal Informative SNPs
	Median Distance (bp)	Median Distance (bp)
WGS	1,179	1,244
SNP Array	27,132	26,432

This is an (expensive) solution in search of a problem!

Possible clinical utility:

- Cases where a meiotic crossover occurs within the gene of interest and cannot be resolved by SNP array
- Greater number of available informative SNPs for specimens with poor amplification or in difficult genomic regions e.g. telomeric/centromeric genes, pseudogenes

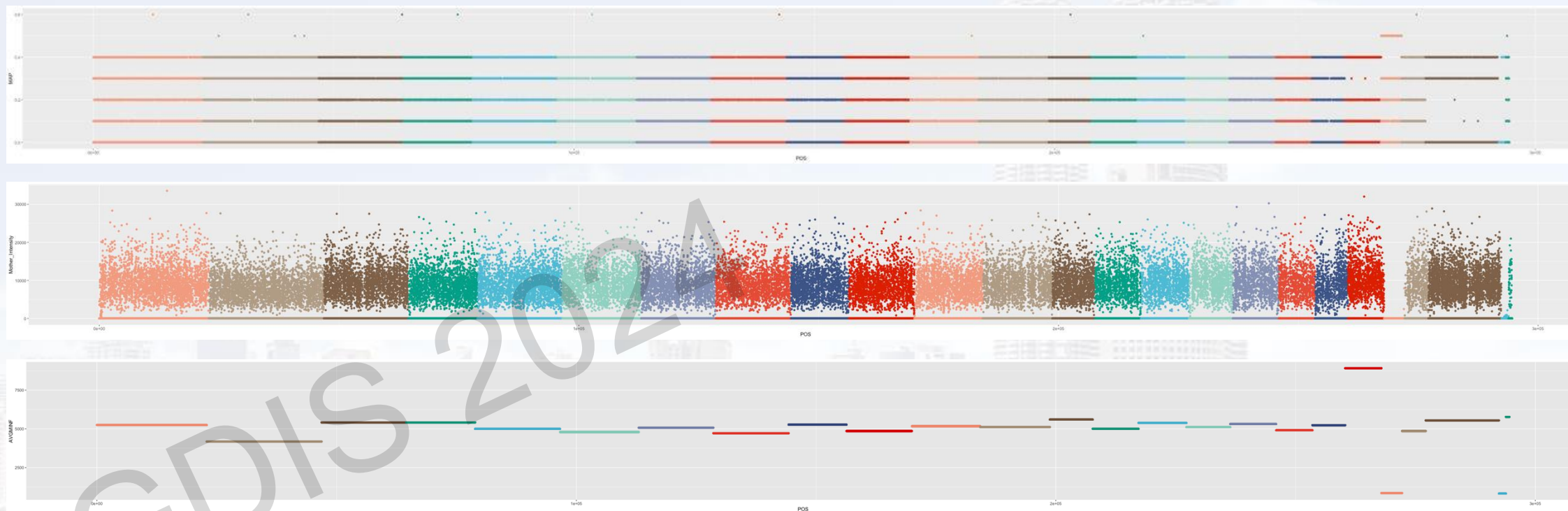
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Sequencing provides the same information for PGT-A:

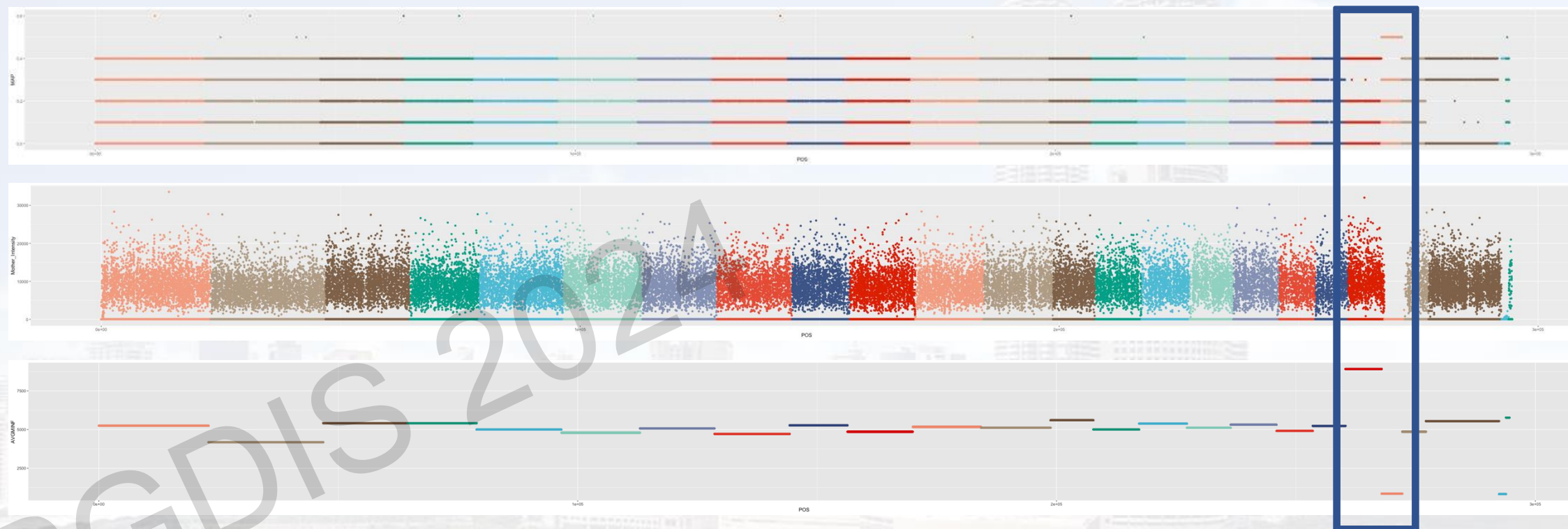
- SNP array combines analysis of SNP haplotypes (including dual haplotype detection for meiotic trisomies) and parent-specific intensity
- WGS provides combined analysis of depth of coverage (intensity) and SNP haplotypes (at sufficient depth)

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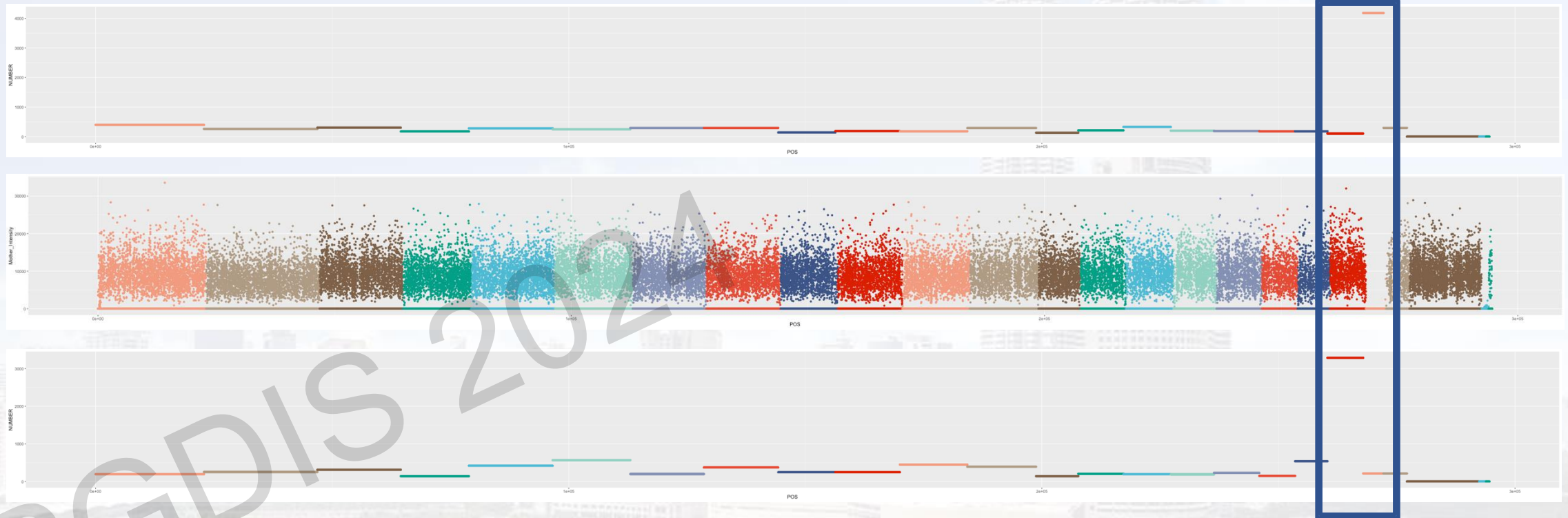
Reference-Free Meiotic Aneuploidy Detection

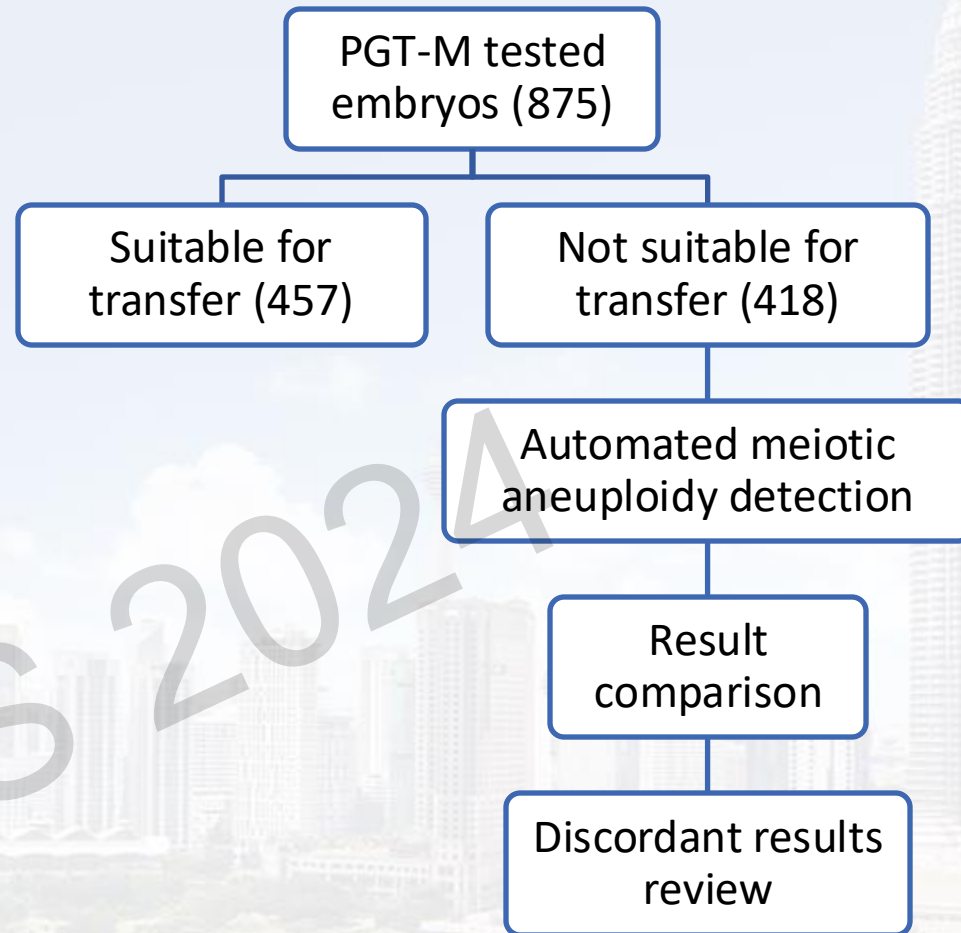


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Reference-Free Meiotic Aneuploidy Detection

High sensitivity for detection of meiotic aneuploidy

Meiotic
Aneuploidy

- 131/131 (100%) embryos
- 158 individual events
- 3 digynic triploidy
- 3 genome-wide UPD
- Additional meiotic events detected:
 - 4 trisomies
 - 1 digynic triploid

Reference-Free Meiotic Aneuploidy Detection

High sensitivity for detection of unbalanced PGT-SR embryos

PGT-SR

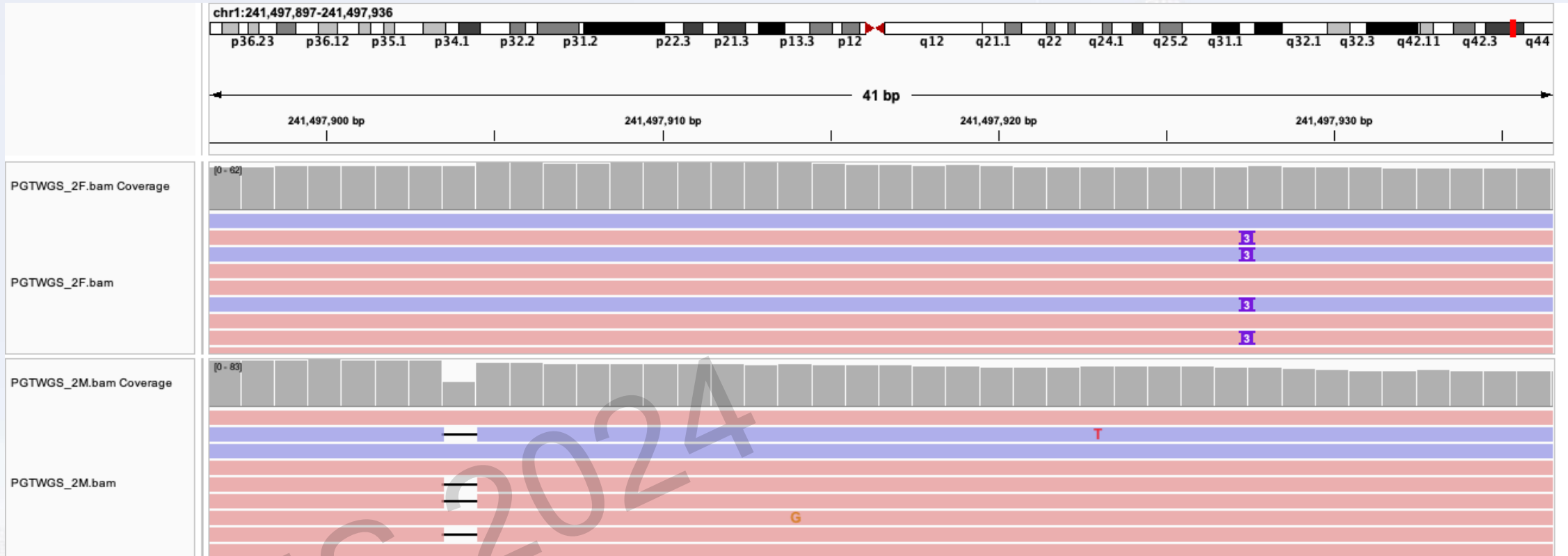
- 13/13 (100%) unbalanced embryos
- Additional meiotic events detected:
 - 2 trisomies

How could karyomapping benefit from sequencing technology?

- Karyomapping was a solution to the problem of complex, family-specific workups for PGT in the era when references were common
- Autosomal dominant conditions: Affected family members or DNA from deceased individuals typically available
- X-linked and autosomal recessive conditions: Identified with the birth of an affected child

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- Increasingly referrals are received for cases in which a variant is *de novo* or presumed to be inherited but with references unavailable for testing (deceased, overseas, estranged)
- Expanded carrier screening has rapidly increased in utilisation: ~1.9% reproductive couples high risk in a large Australian study
- Whole exome sequencing has the potential to streamline direct variant in combination with confirmation using standard karyomapping analysis

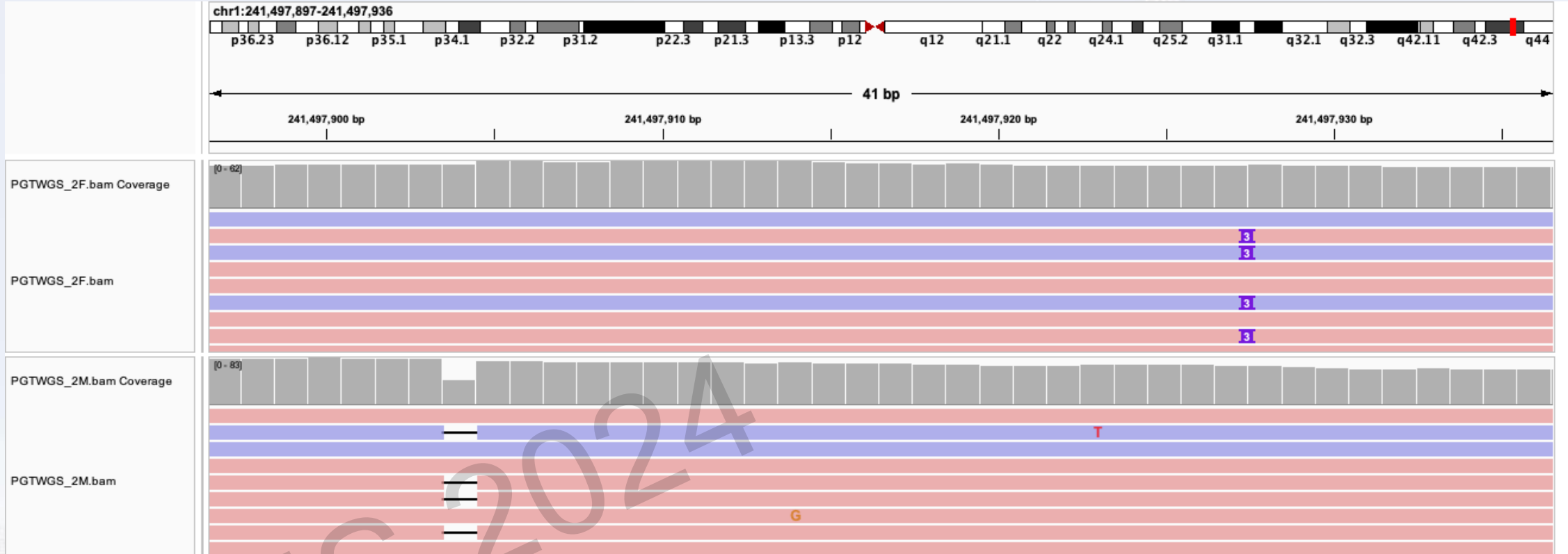


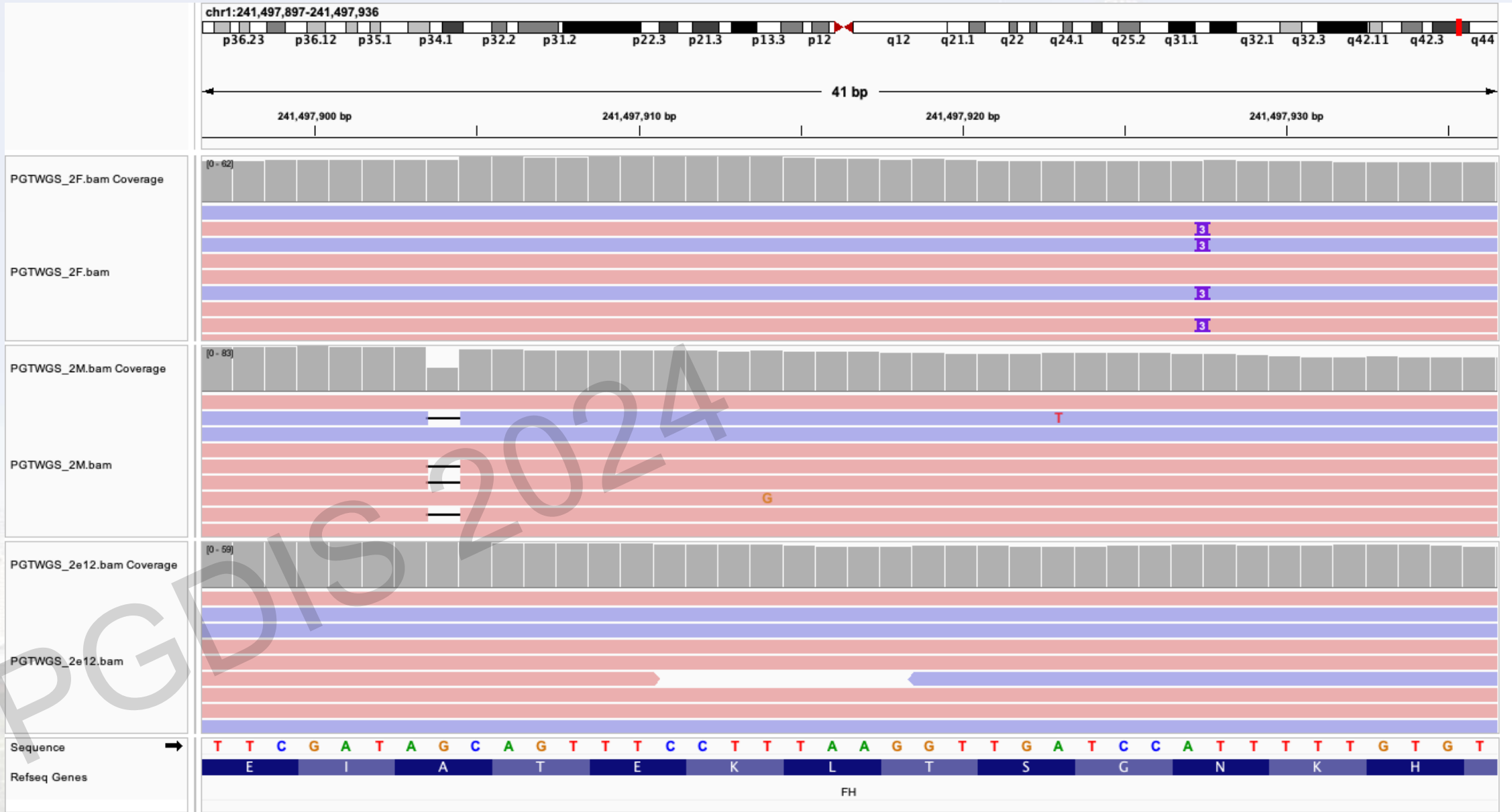
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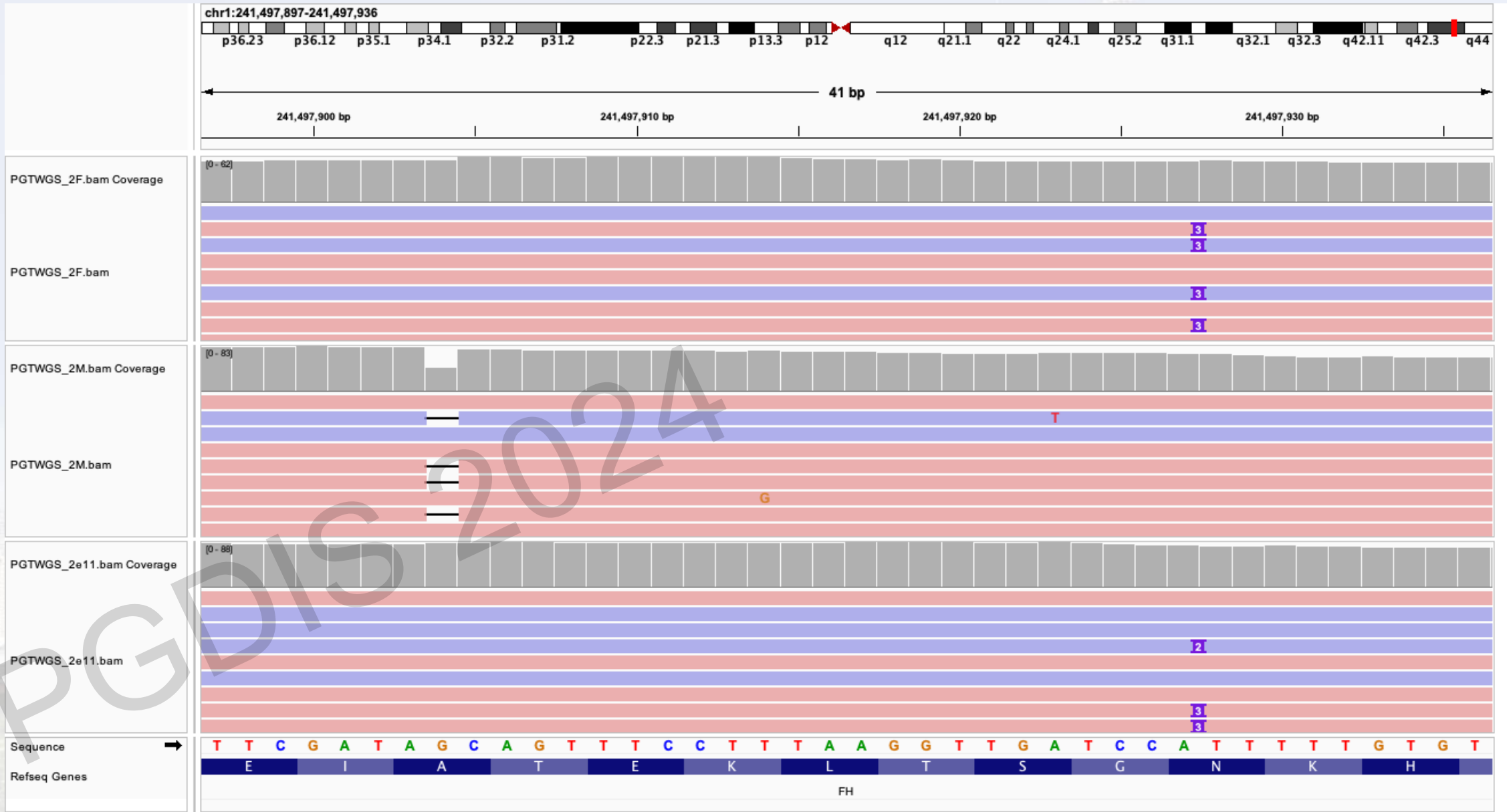
- 22 embryos from 5 families were submitted for Twist Exome 2.0 and Illumina NovaSeq X aiming for ~10Gb output with variant analysis in Dragen v4.0.3.
- 22/22 SNVs/indels in 13/13 (100%) of embryos were correctly genotyped across 22 positions using whole exome sequencing, consistent with previous PGT-M results.
- Average coverage >5x was achieved at 96.86% (St. Dev. 1.05%) and >15x at 93.01% (St. Dev. 2.83%) of bases in 22 embryos.

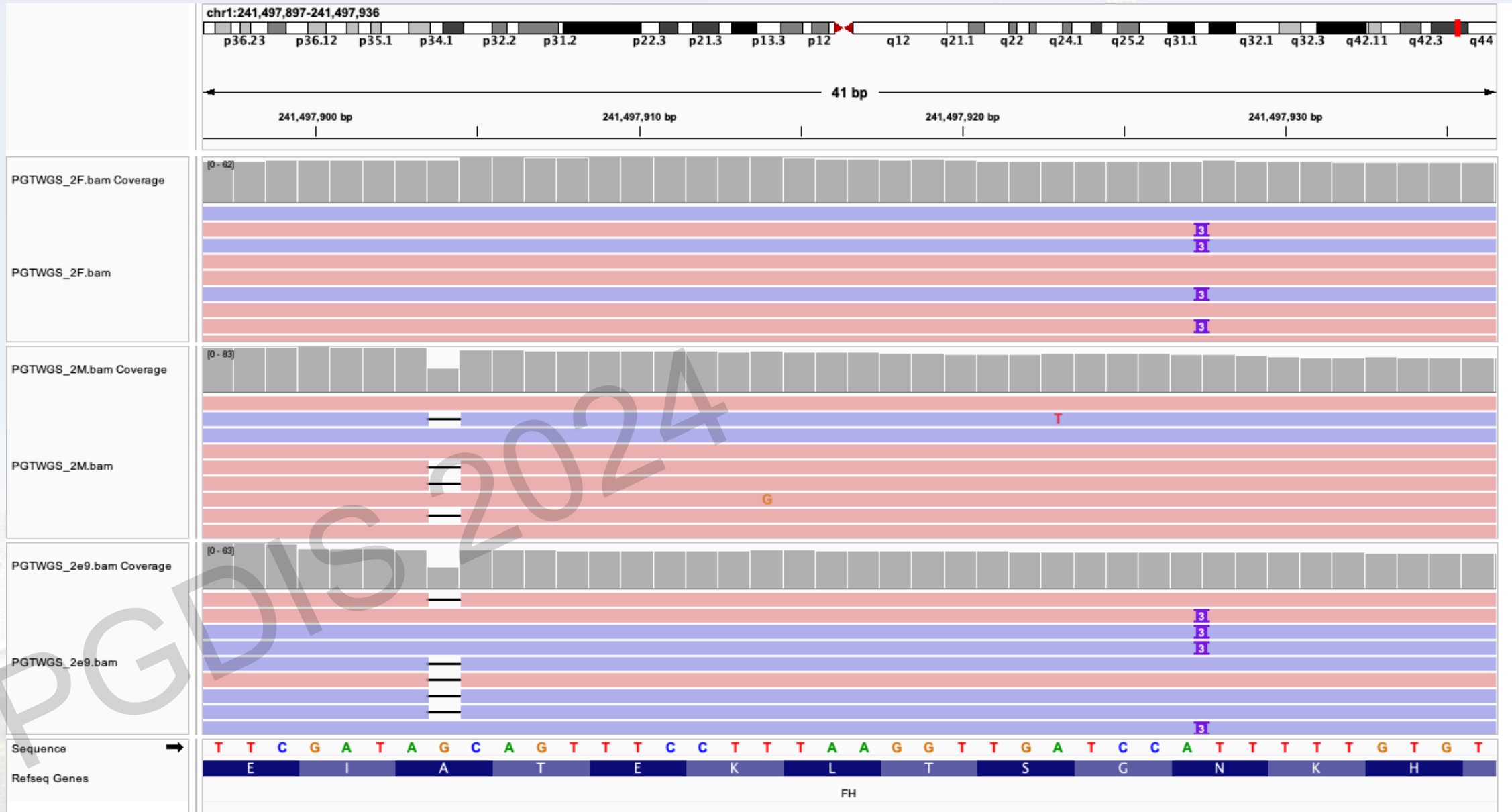
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- Overall allele drop out assessed at expected heterozygous positions (opposite homozygous parental genotypes) was <10% consistent with previous direct variant testing (91.11% average correct heterozygous genotype calls, standard deviation 2.25%).
- Assessment of 10 genes (5 dominant, 4 recessive and 1 X-linked) in a model of de novo variant detection gave results consistent with embryonic haplotypes in 937/946 genotyped positions (99.05% sensitivity of detection).









Conclusions

Karyomapping and its descendants will continue to evolve in the genomic era:

- Providing confirmatory haplotype support in conjunction with direct variant testing following carrier screening or de novo variant detection
- Robust analytical approach for complex genetic pathology requiring long-read sequencing
- Automated aneuploidy detection with high specificity and reduction in false positive calls using parental samples

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“Beauty has no obvious use; nor is there any clear cultural necessity for it. Yet civilization could not do without it.”

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THANK YOU

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